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## **CPS HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES AWARDS COMMUNITY ACTION GRANTS**

CPS awards 10 grants to Sacramento area charities – 21 nationwide

**Sacramento, CA** - CPS Human Resource Services today announced its 2005 Community Grant Award winners. Through its CPS Community Action Network (CAN) committee, CPS provides grants to nonprofit organizations that provide programs and services to children and families. CPS is pleased to announce 21 nonprofit agencies were selected to receive community grants.

Headquartered in Sacramento, California, CPS is providing community grants to 10 Sacramento regional nonprofit organizations with the remaining grants going to charities in the other regions served by CPS: Madison, Wisconsin; Washington, D.C, Long Beach, California, Tucson Arizona, and Atlanta, Georgia. Grants range in amounts from \$1,000 to \$10,000.

"CPS Human Resource Services has been a long-time, active supporter in encouraging employee volunteerism," said Jerry Greenwell, CEO of CPS Human Resources Services. "Part of the success of any organization is to give back to the communities where you do business. Through our CPS CAN initiative, we want to do our part by investing in the communities we serve," added Greenwell.

The grants were selected by CPS employees. The CPS CAN grant award recipients in the Sacramento region are Linkage to Education, Stanford Settlement Neighborhood Center, People Reaching Out, Sierra Adoption Services, Clean & Sober, Boys & Girls Club of Greater Sacramento, A Touch of Understanding, Center for Fathers & Families, Chemical Dependency Center for Women, and Center for Land Based Learning.

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Two of the programs funded by CPS include Linkages to Education and A Touch of Understanding.

**Linkages to Education** opens the door to the higher education system for non-traditional, high-risk youth and helps them adjust to their new surroundings. Linkages to Education was awarded a grant to help purchase textbooks for these high-risk students. The sky rocketing cost of college textbooks has put an additional burden on these students who are seeking to improve their lives through education

**A Touch of Understanding** provides disability awareness programs for school students, designed to educate a new generation to understand the challenges associated with disabilities and to accept and respect all individuals. The grant awarded to A Touch of Understanding will be used for transportation to provide their speakers programs to thousands of children across the Sacramento region.

In addition to the CPS Human Resource Services CAN Grants, CPS has formalized its volunteer policy to allow employees to volunteer up to 8 hours per quarter during business hours.

For more information about the CPS CAN Program, visit [www.cps.ca.gov](http://www.cps.ca.gov).

### **About CPS Human Resource Services**

As a government agency, CPS is helping to improve human resources in the public and nonprofit sectors. CPS provides a full range of HR management and consulting, examination, certification, licensing, and executive search services to more than 1000 local, state, and federal government agencies, public utilities, associations, nonprofits, and other organizations throughout North America.

CPS Human Resource Services has more than 10 offices across the country. CPS is governed by a 10 member public agency board of directors: City of Anaheim; California State Personnel Board; East Bay Municipal Utilities District; Hayward Unified School District; City of Las Vegas; City University of New York; Sacramento County; City/County of San Francisco; Sonoma County; and the Office of State Employment Relations, State of Wisconsin.

CPS Human Resource Services is the 2004 winner of the **Sacramento Workplace Excellence Leader Award**.

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